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SUBJECT: US-USSR ENERGY AGREEMENT: COMMUNICATIONS AND JOINT COMMITTEE
MEETING (08.00)

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1. DURING DISCUSSION JUNE 7 WITH DEPUTY MINISTER M.E. LOPATIN SCICOUNS PROVIDED HIM COPY OF STOLYAROV/BEATTIE LETTER NOTING IT WAS UNFORTUNATE THAT ERDA WAS OBLIGED TO REQUEST POSTPONEMENT OF SOLAR SYMPOSIUM DUE TO LATE TRANSMITTAL OF SOVIET SYMPOSIUM PAPERS. SCICOUNS ALSO BRIEFLY REVIEWED OTHER DIFFICULTIES U.S. SIDE HAS ENCOUNTERED IN THE ENERGY AGREEMENT PER REFTTEL A, AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT TIGHTER ORGANIZATION CAN BE ACHIEVED IN THE FUTURE.

2. LOPATIN RESPONDED THAT HE INTENDS TO DO EVERYTHING IN HIS POWER TO INSURE THAT THE ENERGY AGREEMENT RUNS SMOOTHLY AND THAT COOPERATION IN THIS VITAL AREA FOR BOTH COUNTRIES IS BROADENED AND DEEPENED. HE INDICATED THAT AFTER HIS FIRST MEETING WITH SCICOUNS IN APRIL, AT WHICH TIME THE SOLAR SYMPOSIUM PAPERS WERE DISCUSSED, HE HAD PERSONALLY INQUIRED AS TO THEIR STATUS AND FOUND THEY WERE FAR BEHIND SCHEDULE. HE THEN URGED
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THEIR COMPLETION AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE BUT UNFORTUNATELY THE DEADLINE WAS MISSED BY A FEW DAYS. LOPATIN THEN PROVIDED THE SCICOUNS 11 COMPLETED SYMPOSIUM PAPERS AND NOTED THAT THREE ADDITIONAL PAPERS WOULD BE FORWARDED BY THE END OF THE WEEK. (FURTHER DETAILS ON THE SOLAR SYMPOSIUM WILL BE PROVIDED SEPTTEL). LOPATIN URGED SCICOUNS TO BRING TO HIS PERSONAL ATTENTION ANY FURTHER FAILINGS IN SOVIET PERFORMANCE SO THAT HE CAN INSURE

THAT TIMELY ACTION WILL BE TAKEN.

3. LOPATIN NOTED THE SOVIETS ARE EAGERLY LOOKING FORWARD TO THE VISIT OF FEA ADMINISTRATOR O'LEARY AND HOLDING THE ENERGY JCM HERE THIS OCTOBER. HE INQUIRED AS TO US PROPOSAL FOR TIMING, AND ANY ITINERARY SUGGESTIONS THE US MIGHT HAVE. PLEASE ADVISE.

4. COMMENT: EMBASSY FINDS REMARKABLE THE LENGTH TO WHICH LOPATIN WENT TO UNDERLINE THE IMPORTANCE TO THE SOVIETS OF THE ENERGY BILATERAL AND HIS PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT IN IT; HE CLEARLY WANTS TO START OFF ON THE RIGHT FOOT. LOPATIN SIGNIFICANTLY MADE NO MENTION OF THE CRYOGENIC REFRIGERATOR AFFAIR, ALTHOUGH IT COULD HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED FOR REBUTTAL. EMBASSY PERCEIVES THIS AS A REFLECTION OF LOPATIN'S DESIRE TO SET THE RIGHT TONE, AND NOT AS AN INDICATION OF ANY WANING OF SOVIET INTEREST I THE REFRIGERATOR. MATLOCK

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